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SUBJECT: PREPARATIONS FOR DESAI VISIT
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1. NOT SURE WHICH "TALKING MEMO" YOU REFERRING TO BUT ASSUME
IT IS THE PREVIEW MEMORANDUM. WE POUCHED THIS TO YOU EARLIER
AND POUCHED ANOTHER COPY ON MAY 18.

2. WE ARE IN GOOD SHAPE ON THE BRIEFING PAPERS THANKS TO
YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS ON THE ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND NUCLEAR
SITUATION. THE ONLY LOOSE END AT THIS POINT WOULD APPEAR
TO BE THE POSSIBILITY OF A SETHNA VISIT AND OUR CONVER-
SATION WITH SHANKAR PRIOR TO DESAI'S ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON.

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3. A BRIEF PULL-TOGETHER OF THE INDIAN SCENE, EXPECTATIONS
FOR THE DESAI VISIT AND LIKELY POSITIONS THAT DESAI WILL
TAKE AT THE SSOD AND IN WASHINGTON WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.
THE FIRST FEW DAYS OF JUNE WOULD BE EXCELLENT TIMING FOR
SUCH A MESSAGE. VANCE

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